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SUBJECT: CODEL EILBERG

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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES CODEL VISIT AND, IN VIEW OF CONGRESSMAN EILBERG'S INTEREST IN REFUGEE MATTERS, WILL ARRANGE APPROPRIATE PROGRAM (APPOINTMENTS, BRIEFINGS, ETC) FOR HIM IN BEIRUT. POLITICAL OFFICER THOMAS CAROLAN WILL BE CONTROL OFFICER.

2. RE CODEL'S DESIRE TO VISIT LOCAL REFUGEE CAMPS, WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH UNRWA AND TOM MCELHINEY TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE IN THIS REGARD. WE RECALL THAT IN CONNECTION WITH VISITS EARLIER THIS YEAR BY STAFFDELS TILLMAN AND DEHAAN, UNRWA ARRANGED FOR THEM TO VISIT SMALL CHRISTIAN REFUGEE CAMP AT DEBAYEH--LOCATED SIX MILES NORTH OF BEIRUT--WHERE SECURITY CONDITIONS WERE MORE PREDICTABLE AND UNDER MORE EFFECTIVE CONTROL (ALBEIT OF PLO) THAN AT LARGER CAMPS CLOSER TO CITY. WE WOULD HOPE SOMETHING SIMILAR CAN BE WORKED OUT FOR CODEL EILBERG.

3. VISIT BY CODEL TO OTHER REFUGEE CAMPS IN LEBANON, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN AND AROUND BEIRUT, WILL NOT RPT NOT BE POSSIBLE.

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EVEN IF WE WERE TO SUCCEED, IN COOPERATION WITH UNRWA OR

OTHER LOCAL CONTACTS POSSESSING NECESSARY INFLUENCE, IN
ARRANGING VISIT TO ONE OF THOSE CAMPS, WE COULD NOT RPT NOT
VOUCH FOR CODEL'S SECURITY.
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